Aroclamation

Steben L. Beshear (Kobernor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, Kentucky lawmakers had the foresight to invest in the future of Kentucky agriculture by committing 50 percent of the monies Kentucky receives from the Master Settlement Agreement to agriculture through the Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund; and
- WHEREAS, The Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund has encouraged growth of leadership in all Kentucky counties through the Kentucky Agricultural Development Councils; and
- WHEREAS, Kentucky's rural and urban communities have directly benefited from new economic activities spurred by the Fund, including more than 50,000 farm families; and
- WHEREAS, The Fund has helped expand existing enterprises and nurtured growth in new enterprises, while evolving as needs and issues facing agriculture change; and
- WHEREAS, The Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund has supported Kentucky's premiere branding program, Kentucky Proud, and has provided farm families and agribusinesses access to capital through the Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation; and
- WHEREAS, The Kentucky Agricultural Development Fund was named one of Harvard University's top 50 Innovations in American Government for 2006; and
- WHEREAS, The impact of this historic agricultural diversification effort will continue to be realized many years into the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVEN L. BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2010, as

KENTUCKY AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT **FUND DAY**

in Kentucky, and encourage all citizens of the Commonwealth to recognize the many accomplishments of the Fund for our farm families and their contributions to our economy.

> DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort this 10th day of March, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Ten and in the 218th year of the Commenwealth.

STEVEN L. BESHEAR

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